arise, in connection with any provision of this subpart, or any regulation issued thereunder; (b) release or extinguish any violation of this subpart or of any regulation issued thereunder; or (c) affect or impair any rights or remedies of the Secretary or any other person with respect to any such violation.

§ 932.71 Duration of immunities.

The benefits, privileges, and immunities conferred upon any person by virtue of this subpart shall cease upon the termination of this subpart, except with respect to acts done under and during the existence of this subpart.

§ 932.72 Agents.

The Secretary may, by a designation in writing, name any person, including any officer or employee of the U.S. Government or name any service or division in the U.S. Department of Agriculture, to act as his agent or representative in connection with any of the provisions of this subpart.

§ 932.73 Derogation.

Nothing contained in this subpart is or shall be construed to be, in derogation or in modification of the rights of the Secretary or of the United States to exercise any powers granted by the act or otherwise, or, in accordance with such powers, to act in the premises whenever such action is deemed advisable.

§932.74 Personal liability.

No member or alternate member of the committee or any employee or agent thereof shall be held personally responsible, either individually or jointly with others, in any way whatsoever, to any person, for errors in judgment, mistakes, or other acts either of commission or omission, as such member, alternate member, employee, or agent, except for acts of dis- honesty.

§932.75 Separability.

If any provision of this subpart is declared invalid or the applicability thereof to any person, circumstance, or thing is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this subpart or the applicability thereof to any other person, circumstance, or thing shall not be affected thereby.

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§932.108 Noncanning olives.

Noncanning olives means those olives which, pursuant to the requirements of §932.51(a)(2), are to be disposed of as other than canned ripe olives.

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§932.109 Canned ripe olives of the tree-ripened type.

- (a) Canned ripe olives of the tree-ripened type means packaged olives, not oxidized in processing, that are prepared from a lot or sublot of natural condition olives of advanced maturity which:
- (1) Range in color from pinkish red, with some greenish cast, to black; and
- (2) Have not more than 10 percent, by count, of *off-color* olives (*off-color* means those olives whose greenish cast covers more than 50 percent of the surface of the individual olives).
 - (b) [Reserved]

[40 FR 38146, Aug. 27, 1975]

§932.121 Producer districts.

Pursuant to the authority in §932.35(k), commencing with the term of office beginning June 1, 1987, district means any of the following geographical areas of the State of California:

- (a) District 1 shall include the counties of Glenn, Tehama, and Shasta.
- (b) District 2 shall include the counties of Mono, Mariposa, Merced, San Benito, Monterey, and all counties south thereof excluding Tulare County.
- (c) District 3 shall include all the counties of Alpine, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and all counties north thereof except those in District 1.
- (d) District 4 shall include the county of Tulare.

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§ 932.125 Producer representation on the committee.

Pursuant to the authority in §§ 932.25 and 932.35(k), commencing with the term of office beginning June 1, 1987, representation shall be apportioned as follows:

(a) District 1 shall be represented by two producer members and alternates.

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- (b) District 2 shall be represented by one producer member and alternate.
- (c) District 3 shall be represented by one producer member and alternate.
- (d) District 4 shall be represented by four producer members and alternates. [52 FR 12135, Apr. 15, 1987]

§ 932.129 Nomination procedures for producer members.

Members and alternate members on the Committee who represent producers shall be nominated in accordance with the procedures specified in either paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of this section as the Committee may determine.

- (a) Mail ballot voting. (1) The Committee shall schedule a meeting, prior to March 1 of each odd-numbered year, in each producing district for the purpose of selecting candidates for member and alternate member nominations. A notice of such meetings will be mailed to each producer of record in each district. The nomination process is as follows:
- (i) Any person who produces olives in a particular district may offer the name of any producer from that district as a candidate for either a member or alternate member position in said district.
- (ii) A producer, who produces olives in more than one district, can be selected as a candidate for a member or alternate member position in only one district.
- (iii) The Committee will notify by mail producers who are selected as candidates but are not in attendance at such meetings. Such producers have the right to decline such listing on the ballot within 7 days of mailing such notice.
- (iv) In the event a producer cannot attend a meeting but wishes to be included on the ballot, that producer may notify the Committee office in writing no later than 7 days after the date of the nomination meeting for the producer's district and request that the producer's name be included on the ballot.
- (v) In the event that no candidates or an insufficient number of candidates are selected at such meetings for the producer members and alternates in the respective districts, the Committee

- will give written notice to producers in said district that additional names may be submitted for the specified position(s).
- (2) Following such meetings, and no later than March 15 of each odd-numbered year, the Committee shall prepare and mail a ballot to each producer that delivered olives during that crop year in each district.
- (i) A producer who produces olives in more than one district must choose the district in which the producer will vote and notify the Committee of that choice. If the Committee is not notified and more than one ballot is received from such a producer, the first ballot received will be counted. Candidates may only vote in the district in which they are seeking nomination.
- (ii) Each ballot will list separately the names of candidates for the member positions and the names of candidates for the alternate member positions for said district.
- (iii) A ballot will be mailed to producers of record to give them an opportunity to vote. Committee records will be used to determine the list of producers eligible to cast ballots. However, any producer who is not identified in such records may receive a ballot if the Committee determines that such producer is eligible to participate in nominations in that district.
- (iv) A producer may cast a vote for as many candidates as there are member or alternate positions in said district.
- (v) The candidate on each list, as prescribed in paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section, who receives the most votes will be the nominee for the first position, and until all positions for that district are filled, the candidates receiving the second, third and fourth highest number of votes will be the nominees for the second, third and fourth position respectively.
- (vi) In the event of a tie which would result in elimination of a tied candidate, a second ballot with the names of those tied candidates will be mailed to producers in said district for another vote.
- (b) *Nomination meetings*. In lieu of the mail ballot nomination procedure specified in paragraph (a) of this section,